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SUBJECT: SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC FLURRY IN TUSCANY

- 1. GIUSEPPE MAMMARELLA, VICE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR TUSCANY SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY RESIGNED HIS POSITION AND HIS PARTY MEMBERSHIP BY MEANS OF A LETTER TO PARTY SECRETARY TANZSSI WHICH WAS MADE PUBLIC AND PUBLISHED IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS FEBRUARY 25. PRINCIPAL POINTS MADE IN LETTER OF RESIGNATION WERE THAT CONTACT AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARTY LEADERSHIP AND PARTY BASE WAS COMPLETELY LACKING AND THAT PARTY LEADERS SUCH AS SARAGAT AND TANASSI DID NOT HAVE THE MORAL RECTITUDE AND COURAGE TO RESIGN FROM THEIR POSITIONS UNTIL THEY HAD BEEN CLEARED OF CHARGES OF CORRUPTION AGAINST THEM.
- 2. COPY OF LETTER ALSO SENT TO SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARLAIMENTARY LEADER CARIGLIA (ALSO PARTY LEADER IN TUSCANY) THUS ASSOCIATING HIM WITH LACK OF COMJMUNICATION CHARGES.
- 3. MAMMARELLA HAD RESIGNED HIS POSITION AS FLORENCE PROVINCIAL SECRETARY OF PSDI LAST FALL IN EFFORT SPUR BETTER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARTY LEADERSHIP AND PARTY BASE. SINCE THIS INEFFECTIVE, HE TOOK STEP NOTED PARAGRAPH ONE.
- 4. SOME TUSCAN PSDI OFFICIALS HAVE CRITICIZED HIS ACTION STATING THAT IT PREFERABLE HE REMAIN IN PARTY AND TAKE UP HIS GRIEVANCES DURING REGIONAL PSDI CONGRESS MARCH 10-15. HOWEVER, UNCLASSIFIED

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HE CONVINCED HIS VIEWS WILL RECEIVE MUCH MORE ATTENTION BY METHOD

HE CHOSE THAN IN 'INEFFECTIVE BOILING POT' OF PARTY CONGRESS.

5. COMMENT: MAMMARELLA IS A HIGHLY RESPECTED INDIVIDUAL IN TUSCANY. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE AND WAS A PROFESSOR IN THIS FACULTY FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HE WORKED FOR USIS FLORENCE 1958-60. SINCE 1960 HE HAS BEEN DIRECTOR OF THE STANFORD UNIVERSITY PROGRAM IN FLORENCE. GORDON

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